



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MEDIA ALERT

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HOV Ramps Closed All Weekend

NORTHSIDE DRIVE HOV SIGN INSTALLATION BEGINS

WHEN: 9 p.m. Friday, April 24 until 5 a.m., Monday April 27, weather permitting.

WHERE: I-75 northbound and southbound HOV lanes from just south of Moores Mill Road to Northside Drive and the HOV exit ramp to Northside Drive and the Northside Drive HOV entrance ramp to I-75 north.

WHAT: Crews will pour the concrete footings for a new overhead sign structure. This work will require HOV lane and HOV ramps listed above to be closed throughout the weekend. The general purpose (non-HOV) ramps at this interchange will remain open for the duration of the work. The HOV lane and HOV ramps will be reopened by 5 a.m. on Monday. **Please note – there will be times that workers may not be present with the closures still in place. The closures are necessary in order to allow the concrete to cure. Traffic must not be permitted in the work area until the concrete has cured.**

ATTENTION MEDIA: There will be **no direct media access allowed in the work zone** due to limited space and safety issues. **Please do not send crews to this location.** If you have questions, please call Crystal at the number above. Best viewing options are from the air or through GA NaviGator Camera 24 which will be trained on the work for the duration and will be available for streaming video.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents,

lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org.

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